Governor Carney Authorizes Delaware National Guard to Assist with Water Distribution in Town of Blades

Executive Order provides additional resources for town, residents

DOVER, Del. — Governor John Carney on Friday <u>signed an</u> <u>Executive Order</u> authorizing the Delaware National Guard to assist the Town of Blades with distributing water to residents <u>impacted</u> by high levels of perfluorinated compounds (PFCs) in municipal wells.

The Delaware National Guard has provided two, 400-gallon portable water tanks and coordinated troops to ensure 24-hour water distribution operations out of the Blades Fire Hall. Additionally, a 5,000-gallon water tanker is prepared and available for follow-up support.

The Department of Natural Resources and Environmental Control (DNREC) and the Delaware Division of Public Health (DPH) on Friday morning started to provide bottled water for drinking and cooking to residents of Blades.

Water will be supplied to the Town of Blades by DNREC, DPH, and the Delaware National Guard to ensure residents have access to potable water.

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The Executive Order is available here.